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COLUMBIA TO SEEK CARNEGIE LIBRARY FUND

Public Library Board and Community Council Plan to Secure Endowment of \$50,000 by Fall.

\$2,000 FUND STARTED.

Plan to Finance and Advertise Present Library—To Hold Open House on Date of Establishment.

The Public Library Board, with the help of the Community Council, is beginning plans for a campaign for a Carnegie library. Prof. J. E. Wrench, chairman of the executive committee of the Community Council, announced this today.

The library board has brought pressure to bear on the Carnegie Library Endowment officials in New York, and although there have been no Carnegie libraries built during the war period on account of high building prices, Chairman Wrench indicated that if the demand for a new city library was great enough by next fall, the endowment could be secured. A building sufficiently large for Columbia would cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000, he said.

In order that the library might outgrow its present quarters and thus create an acute demand for a Carnegie endowment, the board plans to launch a financial and advertising campaign to popularize the use of the library. At present the library is supported by popular subscription and city taxes, totaling about \$1,500 a year.

Will W. Garth, chairman of the ways and means committee of the Library Board, announced that a campaign for a \$2,000 library fund will be started next Monday, and will last until the first of the year. It is hoped that Columbia will subscribe funds far in excess of the goal, however, as the library is in dire need of many new books. Professor Wrench said, "All money not used for the upkeep of the building would be used for the purchase of new books."

The board intends to appeal to children by placing more juvenile books, popular novels and magazines on the shelves. At present neither the University Library nor the Public Library has much light fiction or magazines to furnish the demand. The Public Library has about 5,000 volumes, mostly reference books and heavy literature.

Professor Wrench, who is in charge of the advertising campaign, said that action had already begun along that line. New books, mostly fiction, will be put on the shelves every week, and the names of the books published. If children can be attracted to the library, he said, the present quarters will soon be inadequate.

A feature of this campaign will be a Library Birthday Party, in commemoration of the establishment of the library in its present quarters a year ago. The party, which will be supervised by Mrs. D. A. Roberts, will be in the nature of a housewarming, and Columbians will have an opportunity to learn what sort of books are filed on the shelves. Some sort of a program is being arranged in addition. The plans for the birthday party have not been completed yet, but it is probable that the date will be sometime this month, Mrs. Roberts said.

If the Carnegie endowment is granted next fall, a special election to vote bonds for the library's maintenance will have to be called. The endowment is made with the agreement that the city will appropriate 10 per cent of the total cost of the building for its annual upkeep, which in the local case would approximate \$5,000 a year.

If the special election is called, members of the library board said they believed the issue will carry, especially as women will be allowed to vote.

A movement to procure a Carnegie endowment was started first before the war, but the project failed.

MRS. MSWINEY DELAYED

Reception of Wife of Former Mayor of Cork Is Postponed.

New York, Dec. 3.—The reception which had been planned for Mrs. Mariel McSwiney, wife of the former mayor of Cork, was postponed here today when a wireless message was received from the White Star liner, Celtic, that it had been delayed and that it would not arrive at quarantine until 5:30 this afternoon.

Peep Meeting for College Widow.

A peep meeting for the College Widow, the Christian College annual, was held yesterday at Chapel. The annual songs were sung, speeches were made by members of the College Widow staff, and plans for making the publication a success were discussed.

Two Boone Counties Enlist.

Wallace J. Sullivan of Columbia has enlisted for one year in the Second Medical Regiment, at Camp Travis, Tex. W. A. Turner of Huntsdale has enlisted in the aviation branch for one year. He will go to Kelly Field, San Antonio, Tex.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Unsettled and cooler tonight and Saturday, probably showers. Lowest temperature tonight above freezing.

For Missouri: Unsettled weather tonight and Saturday; probably showers east and south portions tonight; somewhat cooler Saturday and west and north portions tonight.

Shippers' forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature during the next 36 hours will be above freezing.

JUDGE HARRIS RE-ELECTED

Chosen Chairman of State Judges at Conference in St. Louis.

Circuit Judge David H. Harris of Fulton was re-elected chairman of the State Judges of Missouri at the conclusion of the annual conference held in St. Louis yesterday. This was preliminary to the annual meeting of the Missouri Bar Association which opened at the Hotel St. Louis today.

TO START NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL

Baptists Rent House On Ash Street—Mirl Whitener Is Superintendent.

Columbia has no little red school house, but after Sunday it will have a little red Sunday school. The Baptist Church and the Baptist Young Peoples' Union through their extension services will open a Sunday school at 505 West Ash street at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. It is two blocks from the nearest sidewalk and the streets are unpaved, but it will reach more than a hundred young people who are not reached by any other religious organization. The location is a mile from the nearest church and on this account most of the children of the community do not attend Sunday schools.

Mirl Whitener, a member of the B. Y. P. U., will be the superintendent and he will choose a corps of teachers from that union. The church is lending financial assistance to the plan. It has bought fifty chairs and the necessary stoves and song books. The literature will be ordered from the Southern Baptist Board, which will give the first quarter's literature free. The organ will be furnished by the John N. Taylor Music Company without charge.

The house is a four-room bungalow, painted red. The rooms are about 12 feet square and two of these are joined by a large opening. These will be used for assembly rooms. This week the house is being plastered and other necessary repairs are being made.

Saturday afternoon a house-to-house invitation will be made so that the people of the community may learn about the Sunday school. The invitations will be made by the young people of the church.

The organization of the Sunday school has been under the direction of S. C. Redford, Baptist student secretary, and Miss Lois Mappin, third vice-president of the B. Y. P. U., in charge of the extension work. They found the house, rented it, and made all other arrangements incident to the opening of the Sunday school.

PRICES CONTINUE TO TUMBLE

Building Materials in Chicago Fall—Meats Down to 1917 Level.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Prices of building materials are tumbling again, according to the reports which have been received here today. A cut in cement prices of 25 per cent has been reported from neighboring cities, and lumber in all localities is reported to have suddenly declined in price from 7 to 11 per cent. The price of meats of all kinds have taken further drops. The present prices are down to the level which they were in April, 1917. Carcass beef is reported to have declined 17 per cent since the first of the month.

EXPECT TO RAISE \$1,000

"One Dollar From Every War Mother in County" Is Slogan.

"One dollar from every War Mother in Boone County" is the slogan of the local chapter of War Mothers, according to Mrs. Mable Turner Roberts, chairman of the publicity workers. More than \$70 has been raised in the local Methodist Church by Mrs. Mattie Boswell and more than \$50 in the Christian Church, by Mrs. R. M. Bandy. Committees in the other churches are at work, and the fund may reach the \$1,000 mark before January 1.

F. L. Limerick Leases Paris Hotel.

F. L. Limerick, formerly proprietor of the Athens Hotel, has leased a hotel in Paris, Mo. The hotel was built by the business men of Paris and leased to Mr. Limerick for a period of four years. He will take possession January 1.

E. L. Turner Dies From Apoplexy.

Edward L. Turner, a well-known farmer and stockman of Montgomery, died Saturday from apoplexy. He was stricken while driving an automobile to the home of his sister, Mrs. Wilbur Starks in Louisiana, Mo.

GARAGE IS TRADED IN REALTY DEAL

J. A. Stewart Acquires Broadway Property in \$20,000 Transaction With E. R. Reno and E. N. Brewster.

TRADES 3 RESIDENCES

Dealer Owned Building Occupied by John N. Taylor Six Months Ago—Two Other Realty Transfers Made.

A \$20,000 real estate transaction involving the building occupied by John Taylor's garage at 609 Broadway and three residence lots in Columbia was consummated Tuesday when J. A. Stewart, a real estate dealer in the Exchange National Bank Building, traded for the garage building and the property on which it stands. E. R. Reno and E. N. Brewster were the owners.

Reno and Brewster are to receive a lot on Papin street near College avenue, valued at \$7,000, a lot on Ross street between Lee and Rockaway, valued at \$4,500 and subject to a deed of trust for \$2,400 which they agree to pay; and a third lot on Sixth street between Cherry and Locust, valued at \$6,000. Clyde Stewart, son of W. A. Stewart, owned the Papin street property.

J. A. Stewart said this morning that the garage property on Broadway belonged to him six months ago and that he was merely trading to get it back.

Other real estate transfers filed in the recorder's office.

Roy McDowell and his wife traded a lot between Abbe and McBaine, north of Broadway, valued at \$5,300 and subject to a \$1,200 deed of trust, to John W. Vesser for a lot on the northwest corner of Broadway and Garth streets, valued at \$1,750 and subject to \$750 deed of trust.

John E. Engels and wife sold a lot on the southwest corner of Gordon and Orama streets to W. A. McCallum for \$900.

ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL GOOD

Due to Weather—Only Seventy Fail to Attend, Says H. H. King.

Last month seventy children were reported to H. H. King, county attendance officer, for failing to attend school. Of this number thirty-four started to school after notification, eleven were excused to work for a few days, eight were excused on account of sickness, three were dropped from the rolls after the consideration of affidavits of parents, and the fourteen remaining were not in school at the end of the month, according to his monthly report.

"The attendance in Boone County has been exceptionally good this fall," said Mr. King. "This is largely due to the weather which we have been having. There has scarcely been a day when the children could not easily go to school."

"The schools which have the best attendance are those that are best equipped, that have the best buildings and that pay the teachers the highest salaries. The Despark school, which has the highest paid teacher in the county, has not had to report a single pupil for non-attendance."

"We have little difficulty in getting most of the children back into school. The negroes are easier to get into school than the white children."

Mr. King expects to make a trip into the country and find out about the fourteen pupils that he has been unable to get into school by correspondence. The Missouri compulsory attendance law is inadequate, he says, in that it provides no way of compelling the teachers to report the children who are not attending.

MISS RUTH TAYLOR WEDS

Married to Carl Benson at Moberly November 20.

Miss Ruth Taylor and Carl E. Benson, Jr., both of Columbia, were married November 20 at Moberly. The marriage was kept secret from both families and friends until yesterday.

Miss Taylor is the daughter of Prof. and Mrs. A. W. Taylor, Hicks avenue. She is a graduate of the University High School and attended Christian College for one year. Mr. Benson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Benson, 408 Christian College avenue. He is a member of the artillery unit of the R. O. T. C.

Parent-Teacher Circle Meets.

A short program given by the school children of the Keene School opened the meeting of the Keene School Parent-Teacher Circle which met yesterday. Following this, Mrs. R. S. Turner, chairman of the home economics department, read a paper on "The Right Feeding of School Children." Plans were discussed for a Christmas play to be presented by the circle with local talent.

SERGEANT V. C. MC CALL MAY GO

Local Recruiting Man Has Applied for Transfer to Honolulu.

Sergeant V. C. McCall of the local recruiting station has been asked to state his preference in case of transfer back to the line. This indicates that the local station will be affected by the reduction in recruiting personnel of this district, from seventy to fifty members, soon to take place.

"This is somewhat a surprise and disappointment," said the sergeant, "for I was promised a permanent position here only a short time ago, and have bought a home. It will cost me several hundred dollars to move now."

It is practically impossible to make the station pay at this time, according to Sergeant McCall. "You have to beg the former service man on bonded knee or else get hard-boiled," he says. In spite of this condition, results have been up to the average for the district and a new record was established last month when fifteen men were enrolled.

Sergeant McCall applied for transfer to the 11th Field Artillery, which has been ordered to Honolulu, in response to the request from headquarters in St. Louis.

WANT CAUSE OF SLOW EXPRESS

Commercial Club Directors Take Up Question of Delayed Shipments to City.

The directors of the Columbia Commercial Club decided today to take up with the railroad and express companies the question of improving service in respect to freight shipments of perishable goods out of St. Louis. There has been complaint upon the part of the merchants that perishable products, such as fruits and vegetables, have been delayed in St. Louis until they are spoiled when they reach here. Often they are so badly damaged that they must be sent back. It seems to be the fault of the system of the express companies in St. Louis.

Plans were also discussed pertaining to the luncheon to be given by the Columbia Commercial Club to the members of the Centralia Commercial Club at the Daniel Boone Tavern next Thursday evening.

The dates were announced for the commercial plumbers' convention. It will be held March 21, 22, and 23.

PETIT JURORS SELECTED

These Men Will Serve in January Term of Court.

The petit jurors for the January term of the Circuit Court were chosen by the county Court today. They are as follows:

Columbia Township: W. E. McClain, V. H. Goldsberry, H. C. Cox, Herbert Levensacker, Bert McMillen, Ogden Arland, B. F. Shanks, J. L. Cannon, W. Rader, Oscar Eley. Alternates: Frank R. Paul, Hulet, James H. Reid, J. E. Bedford, Willis Bea, R. M. Gibbs, Ed. Asley, J. L. Lyons, Fred Garrett, Ed. Jimdille.

Bourbon Township: James Evans, Martin Riley. Alternates: R. L. Graves, Taylor Brink.

Centralia Township: Willis Fountain, Sam Brown. Alternates: Charles Paxson, R. B. Brown.

Corn Township: W. H. Douglas, W. J. Ellis, W. H. J. Nisendick, Gus Wilcox. Alternates: Thad Ballard, J. Wren, E. W. Gilpin, Monroe Nichols.

Missouri Township: George Peeler, William Hume. Alternates: Grover Young, Thomas Smith.

Perche Township: D. M. Whitte, Malcolm Wade. Alternates: T. F. Dinkle, Willie Bryant.

Rocky Fork Township: C. C. Whitworth, J. W. Hutton. Alternates: John W. Tucker, Charles Turner.

PRAISES R. O. T. C. WORK HERE

Spector Says Local Unit Has Fine Spirit and Enthusiasm.

Major W. C. Potter, who inspected the local unit of the R. O. T. C. yesterday, praised the military work being done here. Major Potter came here as a representative from the office of the Chief of Field Artillery, Washington, D. C. Maj. Gen. William J. Snow of this office, controls the co-ordination of instruction of field artillery units in the R. O. T. C. work.

"The students here have a fine spirit, plenty of enthusiasm and great interest in the work," says Major Potter.

FOR U. S. CONTROL OF COAL

Massachusetts Officials Suggest Regulation by Commission.

Government control of the coal industry through the Interstate Commerce Commission is suggested as a remedy for the present high price of coal in a letter received by John S. Bicknell, city clerk, from the city officials of Brockton, Mass.

The letter states that hard coal costs \$18 to \$25 and soft coal from \$16 to \$18 in Brockton. Before the war a high price was \$13 for hard coal and \$8 for soft coal.

Johnny Layton Wins.

Johnny Layton, formerly of Boocoe's Billiard Academy here, clinched first place in the national three-cushion billiard championship tournament preliminary at Chicago yesterday, by defeating Augie Kleckhefer, 50 to 35.



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Kin y-a remember that funny looking old man with the wrinkly face that was all creased and puffy and weather-beaten and worn? Every since you could remember he has been old and his face had been just as wrinkly and creased

and warty and worn. Well, he was a fuzzy headed little baby once, and he had a man who fussed and worried and cried over him, and was sure he would never be able to raise him. He had the colic and cramp and bellered and howled and sucked his thumb. He was puny and

kicked off the covers and fretted when he cut his teeth, but in spite of it all she brought him up and now he has a constitution like a horse. If you asked him he would tell you he never had a sick day in his whole life, and he owes it all to his old corn-cob pipe.

LEAGUE WANTS U. S. DELEGATE

America Is Asked to "Sit In" on Discussions of Disarmament.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—An invitation from the assembly of the League of Nations has been sent to the United States to send a representative to take part in deliberations in regard to disarmament. The message stated that they wish to have a representative of the United States "sit in" on the deliberations in regard to the military, naval and air problems.

BY UNITED PRESS.

HYMAN REPLIES TO PRESIDENT WILSON. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The message of Paul Hyman, president of the League of Nations, to President Wilson in answer to the President's message regarding the Armenian question was received here today. Secretary Tumulty took the message immediately to the President.

CHANGE TIGER DINNER DATE

Business Men Will Give Banquet Next Wednesday Night.

The banquet which the business men of the Tiger football team has been postponed from next Tuesday night until Wednesday night. The postponement was necessary because Judge H. A. Colfax, who will act as toastmaster, could not be present next Tuesday.

No word has been received yet from Governor-elect Hyde but it is expected he will be able to come.

D'ANNUNZIO STILL DEFIANT

Sends Note to Italian General Ordering Letter to Leave.

ROME, Dec. 3.—Gabriele d'Annunzio sent a defiant note to General Caviglia commanding him to get out of the district of the Fiume. The note was sent while Italian government forces of General Caviglia were drawing near Fiume in an effort to expel d'Annunzio.

By United Press.

Bandits Rob Indiana Bank. MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 3.—Six bandits held up the Riverview State Bank here today. They imprisoned the cashier and he was in the prison at Broken Bow.

"Oh God, let me talk," Chester exclaimed. As more ether was given him, he continued to say, "I never did it, I never did it I never killed anybody."

Arms Are Found in London.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—A large stock of arms and ammunition was uncovered today in a warehouse here. It is supposed that the property was that of the Sinn Feiners stored for use in case of attack.

"HAVE NEVER HAD A FAILURE" IN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE FRUIT CAKES

Mothers of girls in the home economics classes at Christian College will not stand over hot stoves anxiously watching the progress of their Christmas fruit cake this year. Each of the girls in this department is making a five-pound English fruit cake, which will serve about thirty people (leaving out little brother Willie, of course) and which will cost 37 cents a pound. The price of the fruit cake, \$1.85, will be less than the retail price for a pound, in the stores which runs as high as \$2.

Nor are the girls afraid of a failure. The cakes are prepared by steaming them for three hours, and when they are finished—well, Mrs. Abner Jones, head of the home economics department, smiles as she says, "They can be kept for months, but aren't. We have never had a failure."

The girls will furnish their own materials and will make, besides the cake, Christmas candles to take home with them. These will be made in large quantities, and will include divinity, fudge, chocolate creams, chocolate caramels, taffies and nut brittle.

CHESTER TRIES SUICIDE AGAIN

Attempts to Dash Brains Out Against Bars of His Cell.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 3.—Denny Chester, in confinement here on the charge of the murder of Florence Barton, made the third unsuccessful attempt today to commit suicide. This time he tried to dash his brains out against the bars of his cell. This was done while there was no guard present. Afterward he was chained to his bunk. He was not seriously injured.

By United Press.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 3.—Chester was given an anesthetic here today which broke his long silence. Chester had not uttered a word since November 10 when he was in the prison at Broken Bow. "Oh God, let me talk," Chester exclaimed. As more ether was given him, he continued to say, "I never did it, I never did it I never killed anybody."

New Patient in Infirmary.

Elizabeth W. Bailey, 63 years old, was admitted to the infirmary as a county patient today. She had been a private patient there.

\$60,000 BOND THEFT MADE PUBLIC TODAY

Express Company Officials Had Kept Robbery Secret Since October—\$14,000 Recovered.

COLLINS PLEADS GUILTY

Robbers Board Minneapolis Train, Taking One Hundred Packages of Registered Mail.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 3.—The American Express Company here today made public the theft of from sixty to one hundred thousand dollars in bonds which had been shipped from Washington, D. C. banks to their constituents here.

The theft took place early in October and has been kept a secret by officials of the express company ever since. Approximately \$14,000 of the bonds have been recovered. The police are looking for Arthur Bennett Smith, 36 years old, an employee of the company who has disappeared, a very fashionable looking young man and an imaginary hero of the Argonne. He has left his job and is reported to be in Williams, Ariz.

The bonds which have been recovered were pawned in local shops under the name, A. B. Smith. Smith has been in the employ of the company for about twenty years.

By United Press.

DES MOINES, Dec. 3.—Keith Collins, the leader in the five-million-dollar train robbery at Council Bluffs, pleaded guilty here today before Judge Martin J. Wade of opening the government mail sacks. He was sentenced to fifteen years in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan. There were six counts against him, five of them being the charges of stealing the mail sacks and the sixth the charge of opening them.

MAIL CAR BANDITS GET \$10,000

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—Bandits on the Chicago, Burlington, and St. Paul train from Minneapolis to Aberdeen held up the train near Hopkins; eighteen miles west of Minneapolis, and robbed the mail car of one hundred packages of registered mail. The bandits are reported to have boarded the train at Minneapolis. The loss is reported by train officials to be approximately ten thousand dollars.

TELLS EXPERIENCES IN SIAM

Mrs. Hall Says Work of Missionary Is With Individual.

"The real work of a missionary is not with the crowd but with the individual," said Mrs. R. C. Hall, in her talk to the Student Volunteer Band in the physics lecture room last night. "My father attracted the crowds in the villages by taking my mother and us children on his evangelistic trips with him. But after he had talked to the crowd the real work began."

Mrs. Hall was born in Siam, where her mother and father were, and still are, missionaries. She was educated in America, and after her marriage to Dr. W. C. Hall, they spent their first two years in Siam. Mrs. Hall described the journey to Siam, through China and Japan. After a 500-mile trip inland on the railroad there was a five-day journey on horseback, during which they crossed one mountain stream seventy-four times.

"The state religion of Siam is Buddhism, but in the north, where we were, there are a great many who believe in Animism. The Buddhist priests dress in yellow and have their heads shaved. They are not allowed to look at a woman, and those of high rank carry fans behind which they can hide their eyes if they meet a woman on the street."

"The government is now beginning to take an interest in education, and public schools for boys have been established. There is only one school for girls beside the mission schools and that is private. The government is also becoming interested in building, and many beautiful government buildings are being erected. Instead of bamboo houses with thatched roofs, brick buildings are being built."

Mrs. Hall's talk was illustrated by stereoscopic views, the pictures for which she had taken herself. This was the first of a series of meetings arranged for this and next week. Next week has been set aside by the Student Volunteer Band of Missouri as Student Volunteer Week. About fifteen schools in the state are asking part in the movement.

Four Admitted to the Hospital.

Miss May Green, Miss Catherine Bismarck and Joe F. Bishop were admitted to the Parker Memorial Hospital yesterday. Miss Bismarck was operated on for appendicitis this morning. Miss Leah Wood, Ella Long, Ray Tomlinson and C. D. Rodgers were discharged yesterday.

Storm Delays Harding's Ship.

ABOARD THE STEAMSHIP PASTORAL, Dec. 3.—Heavy winds have so delayed the steamship Pastoral that it is reported President-elect Harding and his party will not arrive at Norfolk, Va., before Saturday.